GLIN KOREA STATION STATUS REPORT

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1. Introduction

GLIN Korea has translated and transmitted 2,324 laws and regulations data since 1996 in its cooperative effort with GLIN Central in Washington, D.C. Furthermore, GLIN Korea has initiated and continued to maintain the GLIN Korea website (http://www.nanet.go.kr/glin) at the National Assembly Library of Korea. The conferment of the GLIN Model Station Award in 1997 has been a symbol of GLIN Korea's unflagging effort.

Unfortunately, in 2003 GLIN Korea has experienced some administrative difficulties due to the inside personnel policy which resulted in a vacant seat of the person in charge. In August however, the new head of GLIN Korea will once again lead GLIN Korea to embark on our mission in cooperation with other member nations.

2. Activities

2.1 . Laws and Regulations Data Transmission

The National Assembly Library has transmitted legal data of 275 laws and regulations. In 2003, 300 more laws and regulations will be translated and transmitted. Presently, 15 laws and regulations have been translated and transmitted.

2.2 . GLIN Korea Homepage Maintenance

Celebratory initiation of the GLIN Korea homepage in in September 2001 helped in publicizing the project and its usage. GLIN Korea website had 24,553

visitors as of July 2003.

The website is updated monthly with the latest legal information from all member nations. The online timely service has become an efficient tool for many legal experts, especially the members of the National Assembly of Korea. In May 2003, the general public was able to subscribe and obtain user ID's to utilize the same type of service.

GLIN Korea Station Homepage offers the following menus

- 1. Introduction of GLIN service: Member nations, brief introduction, and history
- 2. Search engine: Search Guide, and Thesaurus (English to Korean)
- 3. Links to the Worldwide legal service website
- 4. What's New: latest news from GLIN
- 5. Latest legal amendments and enactments from the member nations of GLIN: the list of legal service of the member nations for legal experts to view

2.3 . Reorganization of GLIN Korea Team

Restructuring of the National Assembly Library has produced the new GLIN Korea team. The following is the list of the GLIN Korea team members.

Title	Name
Director of the National Assembly Library	Ho-Young Chung
Director of the Reference Service Bureau	Han-Kun Song
Chief of the Parliamentary & Legal Document Division	Youngsu Choi
Head of the Parliamentary & Legal Document Section	Jin-Kyoung Lee
Legal Specialist	Hye-Jeong Lee
Legal Analyst	Vacancy
Technical Specialist	Vacancy

3. Suggestions and Comments

GLIN Korea places a great deal of importance in collecting the legal database of the neighboring countries in Asia, with which Korea has strong economic and cultural connection. Therefore, GLIN Korea believes that GLIN Central should actively increase the number of the member nations. Furthermore, in the upcoming general assembly, it seems pertinent to discuss about turning the GLIN Central's attention from South America to EU Nations. And when the calendar for the entire GLIN plan is set, GLIN Central must inform its member nations in advance, so as to provide the greater stability and adjustment in their operations.

In conclusion, GLIN Korea promises that it will faithfully adhere to its role as a member nation, and sincerely hopes that, through the upcoming general assembly, GLIN project will increase substantially not only in its size, but also in its quality.